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1. DR. SHIRASU, INST OF ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICOLOGY, INFORMED AGATT APR 12 THAT HIS LAB HAS COMPLETED MICROBIOLOGICAL TESTS ON BOTH OPP AND TBZ AND WILL SPEND NEXT FEW DAYS MAKING INFORMAL CONTACT WITH KEY MEMBERS FOOD SANITATION INVESTIGATION COUNCIL (FSIC), MHW, MAF, ETC, SEEKING CONSENSUS RE TAKING DATA BEFORE FSIC FOR THEIR FORMAL CONSIDERATION. BOTH CHEMICALS TESTED NEGATIVE.

2. CYTOGENETIC, DOMINANT LETHAL AND TERATOGENICITY RESEARCH ON OPP STILL UNDERWAY AT SHIRASU LAB. CYTOGENETIC AND DOMINANT LETHAL ON TBZ WILL ALSO HAVE TO BE DONE IN SHIRASU'S LAB SINCE MERCK APPARENTLY REFUSES HAVE STANFORD RESEARCH INST DO IT.

3. SHIRASU OPTIMISTIC THAT FSIC CAN APPROVE CHEMICALS ON BASIS MICROBIOLOGICAL DATA ONLY, BUT OTHER TESTS NEC TO SHOW "GOOD FAITH".
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